



REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action mailed December 21, 2005 has been carefully considered.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication of allowable matter.

Amendments of the Claims have been made to place some of the allowable matter into independent form.

Applicant reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of the cancelled claims in other filings. Accordingly, such cancellations should not be taken as an admission of any sort regarding the subject matter.

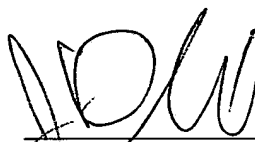
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 408-579-9216.

Respectfully submitted,

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